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## **PRESS RELEASE**

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# **WHITERIVER MAN ARRESTED AND INDICTED ON ASSAULT CHARGES**

**PHOENIX, ARIZONA** – U.S. Attorney José de Jesus Rivera announced today that **ROSCOE LUPE**, 29, of Whiteriver, Arizona, was indicted by a federal grand jury on March 29, 2000, and charged with two counts of Assault with a Dangerous Weapon and two counts of Assault resulting in Serious Bodily Injury.

**LUPE** is accused of committing an assault on another person, with a knife, on December 31, 1998. He is also charged with assaulting Marta Bush with a 30 pound weight, in October 16, 1999. The defendant is currently in custody.

If convicted, the maximum penalty is up to 10 years imprisonment for Assault with a Dangerous Weapon and up to 10 years for Assault resulting in Serious Bodily Injury.

An indictment is simply the method by which a person is charged with criminal activity and an individual's guilt is established only upon conviction.

The investigation in this case was conducted by the White Mountain Apache Tribal Police Department and the Fort Apache, Bureau of Indian Affairs. The prosecution is being handled by the U. S. Attorney's Office, District of Arizona, Phoenix, Arizona.

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